

No. 3961

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Byron J. H.

Residence Huntsville Ala.

Date Jan'y 17. 27. 1887.

Rec'd " 19. 29 "

Ack'g'd " 21 " "

Answered

SUBJECT.

For price of photos on
list sent.

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Reed & Boker
Jan 29

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Huntsville. Ala.

Jan 27th 1887.

Mr MacLeod:
Curator. C. A. G.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I send you
list of Photos, which I will get
you mark price you can put
them to me for sale at church
azaar, size 14x12ⁱⁿ.

Please send me a price
list. if you have any pub-
lished -

Your friend Mrs May
Mayhew is in very delicate
health by nervous prostration, &
is forbidden to read or write -
a great deprivation to her -

She desires to be very kindly
remembered to you -

I regret to hear you have
been so ill - Hope you may
soon be your self again -

If you have a printed cat-
-alogue, mark in pencil the
reduction, so I can rub out, &
retain - Mark the list I send
and return - They will likely
meet most favorable sale -

Yours Truly,

J. W. Bryce -

Recd. Jan. 19
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Huntsville, Ala.

Jan 17th 1887.

Mr MacLeod.

Curator. C. G. A.

Dear Sir:

I am getting up a Photo-
 -graph & Engraving Bazaar for benefit
 of my Sabbath School Room. If I should
 order from you some 50 of your
 Photographs of Art subjects, would
 you allow me to return what I did
 not sell?

Yours Truly

J. H. Bryson

No. 3962

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Battle Mrs. Ketter

Residence Phila

Date Jan'y 20. 1887

Rec'd

Ack'g'd " 21 "

Answered

SUBJECT.

Several old paintings
for sale -

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Phil - Can -
 1720 Walnut St
 Phila -
 Pa -
 Recd June 22
 Feb 8
 and is
 to the family

Dear Cousin
 Randi -

Before touching on the chief
 object of my letter, I would
 like to express to you
 myself in your recollection -
 So that you may not
 feel you are in communi-
 cation with an entire
 stranger - Do you not
 remember Nettie Riggs
 of Phila - ? Whom you
 have been well many
 years ago - When she was
 on a visit to the Cousin
 George Riggs in Washington?
 - I am Nettie Riggs -

from the wisdom of Samuel S. Bates for
- Mary of Marie Alon -
The late Mrs. Foster as an appearance but
left as is very reduced circumstances -
The design of this letter is to ask you
to give a loan to a friend of her times -
I have in my possession 8 (eig) oil
paintings - pronounced by artists & by
those of much better judgment as beyond
the reach of paintings, than I possess the
of some of the most & great & beauty -
They are all large pictures - & are as

3962
Collection of paintings - & of
the will & Capt. My offer
The very great value
The good and friend
Sella Bates -

Please in reply to my
letter address to 1720
Valmont St Phil -

List of Pictures -
"Madonna" circular picture
Canvas 12 1/2 inches in diameter
Frame 28 inches by 24 - \$300
"Bella" "Styl". "Marie" "Mati
dolores" - Canvas 10 1/4" by 13 1/2"
frames - 23 inches by 20 inches -
Each \$75 -

Carey's Majdalen
in May picture - \$50 -

The frame of the Madonna is a copy of the
original frame in Canada wood - furnished
in the finest specimen of Venetian carving -

The pictures are now in N. York
I will send them to you if you
will take them

Asked by Mrs. Hyde, who told
her the subject had been refused,
& if entertained, she would be
notified. Otherwise she might
conclude they were not wanted.

Flowers - A "Madonna"
in the Chair - a copy from
Raphael's original picture
a perfect gem - This is
a circular picture - the Canvas
measuring $12\frac{1}{2}$ inches by 24 -

The "Titians Bella" - a
specimen of very fine
coloring -
The "Farnian Sigh" -
equally fine -

A "Water House" -
A "Music" -
Also 4 - each Canvas
measuring $10\frac{1}{2}$ by $13\frac{1}{2}$ -

A Corregio's "Magdalena" -
a picture of "Lionel Lincoln"
Also -

The first 3 pictures

Now the wisdom of Samuel & Baruch for
- the gift of Proverbs -
the late Mr. Jones we in appearance but
less we in very reduced circumstances -
the design of this letter is to ask you
to do a favor to a friend of Mr. Jones -
I have in my possession 6 (six) oil
paintings - produced by artists & by
some of much better judgment as regards
the merits of paintings, than I possess the
of any other work of merit & beauty -
They are all large pictures - & are as

follows - A "Madonna
in the Chair" - a copy from
Raphael's original picture
a perfect gem - This is
a circular picture - the Canvas
measuring $12\frac{1}{2}$ inches by 24 -

The "Titians Bella" - a
specimen of very fine
coloring -
- The "Parnian Style" -
equally fine -

- A "Matthias Johnson" -
A "Muriel" -
Also 4 - each canvas
measuring $10\frac{1}{2}$ by $13\frac{1}{2}$ -

- A Corregio's "Magdalena" -
a picture of similar size but
larger -

The first 3 pictures

Mentioned how dear the frames appeared &
sent to you (the paintings are marked) the
last 3 have now done the frames required.
The valuation placed upon the pictures is
as follows - The Madonna's \$300 - "Litham
Bella" "Seyl" "Music" "Mater Dolorosa" & ~~each~~
each \$75 - & the "Concilio's Madonna" \$50 -
amounting to \$650 - I offer them all for
\$500 - Asking as a favor, that you will
become the purchaser if it meets with your
approbation - I am compelled to part with
these few specimens of art, which were purchased
in Italy - & it would make me very happy
to know that they would have a place in your

No. 3963

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Blackburn Henry,

Residence 4422 Lafayette - Phila

Date Jan'y 19, 1887,

Rec'd " 20 "

Ack'g'd " 20 "

Answered

SUBJECT.

Asks if English water color
drawings now in Cincinnati,
cannot be exhibited at the
Gallery during the latter part
of Feb. & during the month of
March.

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English Water Colour Exhibitions in America,
1886-7.

HENRY BLACKBURN, Hon. Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.]

Hotel Lafayette Phila

19th Jan. 1887.

Dear Sir,

I write, at the suggestion of my friend
Genl. Loring of Boston, to ask if you w^d entertain
a proposal for Removal of the collection of
Water colour Drawings now in Cincinnati (of
which I send you catalogue by same mail)
for exhibition in Washington during the latter
part of February & during the month of March
next -?

Perhaps (as I leave here for Cincinnati, on
Saty 22nd at 1.20 pm) you w^d kindly inform
^{by Friday} me whether you have an incorporated Society
in Washington empowered to take foreign works of
art in bond without the payment of duty? and
I could send you further particulars from Cincinnati
if desired - & you wish the proposal to be held
over for consideration.

Yours very truly
Henry Blackburn.

Wm. H. Woodbury.

The Board of Trustees would be glad
to see in Washington an exhibition
of your water colors, but it would
not be practicable to afford ac-
commodations for them within
the Gallery building & neither
are they aware, ~~of~~ as at pres-
ent, of any place
^{in the city} where they could be ad-
vantageously shown.

No. 3964.

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Tyson Miss M. A.

Residence Blairsville Pa.

Date Jan'y 20. 1887,

Rec'd " 22 "

Ack'g'd " " "

Answered

SUBJECT.

Asks advice about locating
in Washington.

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Rec'd & Ack. June 22

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Blairsville, Pa.,

Jan. 20. 1887.

Mr. Wm. McLeod,

Dear Sir; -

I take the liberty of once more encroaching on your time, and taking advantage of your kindness. I am thinking, still more emphatically than last year, of seeking a position elsewhere, and your kind offer of assistance comes to my mind. If there be a school in Washington which might offer the work I wish, you would confer on me a favor by sending me the address. - I

am told there is an Art
school in the city, but do
not know where; I have
written to the Principal of
Washington Collegiate Institute,
without, however, having any
knowledge of the school or
of its Art department.

I beg you not to give either
time or anxiety to this matter,
but, if the knowledge of a
position, or of a desirable
school, comes to you, I shall
be grateful if you will com-
municate it. - I may say that
I teach French and German
here, in addition to Art. I
should very much like to
work in Washington, for
several seasons.

I am sure you will learn

with regret that my copy of
the "Parthenon" was destroyed
by fire a little more than
a week ago; it was on
exhibition at my father's
place of business, and that
was burned, with several
other buildings. Jan. 11.

Hoping to hear from you,
yet trusting that you will
not permit my requests to con-
sume your time, I am

Very respectfully,

Mary A. Tappan

Seminary,

Blairsville, Pa.

No. 3965

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Wentworth J. A. Sr.

Residence 1517. S. St. N. W.

Date Jan'y 21. 1887

Rec'd

Ack'g'd " 22 "

Answered

SUBJECT.

Painting of Niagara
for sale.

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Answer promised next week
if entertained - not otherwise

1517 S St NW

Washington Jan 21 1884

W W Corcoran Esq

Recd Jan. 24

Dear Sir

Recd Jan 22 1884
+ referred

I beg leave to
call your attention to an oil painting
which I have of Niagara Falls executed
in 1823 by an American artist, and pro-
nounced his "Master piece". Its dimensions
are 41 by 73 inches inside the frame, and is
a true representation from Nature, of the
whole Falls, Goat Island, and the River
above, as they were 64 years ago. It antedates
every other painting of the kind known to exist,
and is therefore the only one that can give a view
of the whole Falls at so early a period. The
many changes since, add to its value as an
"Historic Record" of the "Great American Cataract",
and would be an acquisition to your already
well furnished Gallery. It is "for sale" and I
commend it to your notice, as a "Patron of the Arts"
Very respectfully, J H Wentworth Esq

No. 3966

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Hubert Mois H. G.

Residence Abington Va

Date Jan'y 25. 1887,

Rec'd .. 28 ..

Ack'g'd .. 28 ..

Answered ..

SUBJECT.

Asks price of Catalogue

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Abingdon Va. Jan. 25, 1887.

Recd Acl
Jan 28.

Dear Sir,

If present catalogue of pictures,
statuary &c, holds good in June,
you will please tell me its price.
You will also please mention
which day, the Gallery is open free—
On my way home with, I visit
to pass through Washington, and
revisit the Gallery, which I
have not seen in eight years.

You will greatly oblige, yours
very sincerely

(Miss) R. E. Herbert.

No. 3967

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Illway Miss Nettie

Residence Cincinnati Ohio

Date Jan'y 27, Feb 10. 1887

Rec'd " 29 " 18 "

Ack'g'd Feb 8 "

Answered

SUBJECT.

Her pictures to be sent
to her

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Rec'd Feb. 12

Cincinnati Feb 10th 87

Mr McCleod

Dear Sir

Many thanks for your
trouble. You may send Pictures
to 215 Court St. & only see that
they are securely packed

I am very Respectfully
Yours

Vetthe Delorway

Studio 215 Court St.
Cincinnati O.

Recd Jan 24th 87
 Ackd Feb.

Cincinnati Jan. 27th 87
 Mr W. Howland

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor informing me that the allotted time for my pictures had more than expired, I was not aware that the time has already elapsed, for as you are aware the gallery was closed July and August (my pictures reached your gallery about the latter end of June) the time must be computed from September and according to my calculation the 6 months do not expire till Feby. 1st—

In fact the greater ^{part} of the time they were out of my mind and were only recalled to it, when my friends would say they had been to Washington, had gone especially to the Art-Gallery to see my pictures, without overstep-

-ping the bounds of due modesty,
I can say that - all who saw them
liked them greatly.

Now dear Sir: I should like to
suggest - to you another matter
which in turn I should be pleased
if you would if you would suggest
to the Trustees, and it is this I
should like the Gallery to purchase
my pictures. I do not say this for
the sake of the money, as that ulti-
mately is not such an object with
me, but for the reason that it would
be a feather in my cap. You dear Sir
who are so familiar with Art and
Artists - know how much a proper
purchaser can do for an Artist;
to recall only a late instance;
"Miss Thompson (this as an illus-
tration only & not a comparison)

was unknown to fame & fortune
when however the Prince of Wales
purchased her "Roll call after battle"
The sun of both shone upon her.

This is my object - & it is because
I think so highly of your Gallery
that - I make this suggestion.

Now my dear Sir if you would
kindly lend me your influence
for the accomplishment of
this purpose, I shall consider
myself under the greatest
obligation to you.

As I said before money is
not - so much the object -
as the prestige it would
give me.

Hoping that - you will

kindly excuse the liberty
I have taken in thus troubling
you, & that you will kindly
aid me with your influence
which I know is great

I remain Your Most, —
Respectful
Lettie Cloway

No. 3968,

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Arnold Etta M.

Residence Orwego, Iowa Co. N.Y.

Date Jan'y 31, 1887,

Rec'd Feb. 2 "

Ack'g'd " " "

Answered

SUBJECT.

About photos.

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Reed Oswego, Feb. 19, 1887.

Feb 21.

The second "Corday"
reached me in good
order last night. &
I return the one you
first sent me, thank-
ing you for so kindly
forwarding another
one to me -

Yours &c.

E. M. Arnold

UNITED STATES
POSTAL CARD

Nothing but the address to be on this side.



Wm MacLeod, Curator
Corcoran Gallery of Art
Washington, D.C.

Some time ago you had
photographs of Müller's
Charlotte Corday mounted
on cardboard about 15x18
inches in size. Have you
still such photographs
in stock, and at what
price do you sell them?
Could you send me one
safely by mail, do you
think? Please answer
inquiries, & greatly oblige,

Etta M. Arnold,

Owego,

Tioga Co.,

N. Y.

Jan. 31, 1887

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UNITED STATES

POSTAL CARD

RECEIVED
FEB 11 1887
WASHINGTON

Nothing but the address to be on this side.



Photograph Agent:

Corcoran Art-Gallery,
Penn. Avenue,
Washington, D.C.

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CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Schlesinger, Miss L.

Residence N. Y.

Date Jan'y 31, 1887,

Rec'd Feb. 2 "

Ack'd

Answered

SUBJECT.

29th for Catalogue.

January 31/87

Recd Feb. 21

No. 20 East 65th Street
New York City

Mr. Ingham Esq.

Dear Sir -

Enclosed
please find stamps
to amount of \$9 - price
of catalogue etc. Many
thanks for prompt
reply to my request.

Yours truly

Miss L. Schlesinger

No. 3970

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Beach Miss Mary,

Residence London Ohio,

Date Jan'y 31. 1887,

Rec'd Feb 2 "

Ack'g'd " " "

Answered

SUBJECT.

50¢ for a Photo.

✓

Reed & Achid
Feb. 2.

London. Ohio.

Jan. 31-1887

Mr. Am MacLeod.

Dear Sir:-

I inclose
postal note for fifty
cents, for a photograph
of "The mask". I wish
to copy from it.

Very Resp.

Miss Mary Beach